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REAR ADMIRAL HUTCH I. CONE



Rear Admiral Hutch I. Cone, chief of the bureau of steam engineering of the navy department, is the man who has charge of the government's experiments and work in the wireless telegraphy field.

NEW CONGRESSMEN POKE FUN AT OLDER COLLEAGUES

Washington, D. C., July 12.—At one of the Washington restaurants the other night there was a frolic of the "babies" of the house of representatives. Men to the number of one hundred serving their first terms in congress gathered for a dinner at the restaurant. They formed a house of representatives of their own and passed the time making fun of the methods of their older colleagues and the personalities of some of their own number. In the main, however, they "pointed with pride" to themselves as the real statesmen and referred to members of longer service as being entirely out of date and belonging in the pigeon-holes with the archives rather than on the floor of the house with the "live ones."

No party lines were drawn at this gathering. Republican and Democrat-

to "babies" had fun together. The tariff came in for a bit of byplay.

Protective Duty on Cuts.

A high protective duty was put on cuts in order to protect the industry. Every fellow whether a wild-cat polecat or a domestic cat imported into the United States or its island possessions, it was decided, must hereafter pay \$1 a head in order to be admitted to full American citizenship. As a rider to this bill strip was placed on the free list.

A prize was offered to the member who could make the most stirring oration on the American flag. Representative Littleton was chosen as judge, but the oratorical flights of Representative Council of New York and Witherspoon of Mississippi were so nearly equal in grace and distance that the judge gave each the first prize.

The senate galleries broke out into applause the other day when the name of Theodore Roosevelt was mentioned. The senate gallery has applauded at times the names of William Jennings Bryan and of many other well-known Americans without regard to political party, but it must be understood that it is against the rules of the senate to allow applause in the gallery.

Mistaken Applause in Senate.

It makes no difference who it is that is receiving the applause the vice-president must bring down his gavel while the noise is continuing and say with all due solemnity and severity that all demonstrations of approval are not allowed and that if they do not cease the galleries will be cleared.

This word from the vice-president has been said thousands of times in the senate and its effect has never been visible for more than an hour at a time. It is only rarely that the senators themselves laugh and it is only once in a lifetime that they applaud. The cases where senators have broken the applause rule can be counted on half the fingers of one hand. The senate, however, has its jokes frequently and while laughter is subdued, broad smiles are always in evidence.

When Senator Jonathan P. Dooliver, now dead, referred to Senator Francis E. Warren of Wyoming as "the greatest shepherd since Abraham," the broadest of broad smiles was visible on the face of every senator. The wool bill was under discussion and Mr. Warren is said to be the proprietor of a considerable fold.

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PHILIPINO ARMY IN GOOD SHAPE

Are Well Organized and Loyal to United States

Washington, D. C., July 12.—Recently there has been a flurry in the country over the intimation made on the floor of the United States senate that Japan was looking for a naval base on the coast of Mexico with the intention of knocking the Monroe doctrine into bits. It is said that if we ever have war with Japan the islanders will at once seize the Philippines, and it generally is believed that they will have no trouble getting a foothold there and in hauling down the American flag.

It may be that the Japanese could get into the Philippines without very much trouble, but it is certain that they would have a fight and a hard one before they could control all the islands. There are about 12,000 American troops in the Philippines and it is usual the Americans probably would give a good account of themselves. If an invasion of the islands should come the enemy also would meet with a resistance not altogether due to the force of American arms.

The Filipino constabulary and the Filipino scouts, armed organizations, one serving under the civil government and the other under the military authority of the islands have the field service of which the soldiers of any army might be proud, and are known as a body which means fighting. The constabulary is the United States command their courage and devotion.

Ten Thousand Fighting Filipinos.

The officers who have served in the Philippines say that the constabulary is half police, half soldier, has in its ranks men who will give account of themselves on any field against any foe, and that what is said of the constabulary is true of the scouts, whose work is entirely military and who are attached to the army for the particular service which their names suggest.

Philippine constabulary and scouts together form a force of nearly 10,000 men and officers. The officers in the main are Americans, but some of the juniors bearing commissions in the constabulary are Filipinos trained for the work. In time these juniors will fill the places of higher rank and greater responsibility.

Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs who has known the Philippine constabulary and scouts in town, camp and field, says they are a force upon which dependence can be placed to the very last. An officer of general rank who has seen both the constabulary and the scouts in action against the worst kind of an enemy, a hidden enemy, told me recently that he would ask for no better command than an army of 100,000 soldiers of such courage with which to meet an enemy of equal numbers, and he said that he would not care much if the color of the skin of the enemy was the white of the Caucasian.

The record of the Philippine constabulary for the first six years of its existence was as follows:

Fire arms captured	5,581
Stolen animals recovered	4,175
Number of patrols and expeditions	4,400
Number of encounters with highway robbers	1,000
Outlaws killed, wounded or captured	1,000
Cases of insurrection suppressed	10,000
Number of constabulary killed and wounded	40

Very Few Desertions.

It is little wonder that the American officer who turned in this report said: "These figures bear eloquent witness to the usefulness to which the constabulary has been put," and then added: "In the year 1907 there were but twenty desertions, which out of a force of 2,000 men, may be taken as negligible."

Until recently the constabulary, a name suggestive of police duty only, was armed with the old Springfield single-fire rifle without bayonet. The field duty of the constabulary has been constant since the organization was formed. As the figures given go to show the engagements with outlaw bands have been more than 1,500 in number.

The enlisted men, being without bayonets, have been rushed by the enemy time after time after they had fired once, but they have stood their ground with clubbed muskets against seemingly overwhelming numbers of the foe armed with spears and bolos. No member of the constabulary has shown the white feather. Their American officers have nothing but praise for them, and say that if the force could be enlarged to many times its present size the problem of the defense of the Philippines against invasion would be solved.

One fight which the constabulary had with a large force of Philippine bandits in Samar became a hand-to-hand combat with the enemy outnumbering the constabulary five to one. The casualties among the constabulary were 50 per cent of the force engaged yet the remnant, with their wounded American officers, Captain Jones and Lieutenant Rogers as leaders, finally routed their savage assailants. It was this fight which presented the strongest argument to the government for arming the constabulary with single-barreled rifles and bayonets.

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